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With the country celebrating its sesquicentennial anniversary in 2017, the theme this year is Canada 150.

The event is open to those in Grade 3 or older. Student banners – those painted by Grade 3 to 8 students – are returned to their painters at the end of the season.

The other banners are auctioned off and proceeds are used to purchase materials for the following year's festival.

Entry forms for both students and adults can be found on the Minden Hills website under Cultural Centre events at mindenhills.ca/cultural-centre/cultural-centre-events.

Artists are asked to sketch their design on the entry form. The deadline is March 31.

Artists whose submissions are chosen paint their banners at the cultural centre during April and May.

For more information about the Minden Festival of Banners, contact Sue Tiffin at festivalofbanners@outlook.com.

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Buyer interested in Club 35

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County Life staff

A potential buyer has his eye on purchasing Club 35, however would like to see it rezoned first.

The building on the highway is owned by the municipality of Algonquin Highlands and was formerly used as a community facility.

Council recently decided to put it up for sale.

At their March 9 meeting, councillors reviewed a zoning amendment application for the property, requesting the zoning be changed from community facility (CF) to highway commercial.

The prospective buyer would like to turn the building into a retail commercial establishment (antique shop), a restaurant and an accessory dwelling unit, according to Algonquin Highlands planner Sean O'Callaghan's staff report.

"The applicant is proposing to rezone the subject lands to highway commercial (C1) with an exception limiting the permitted uses to those noted above. The minimum lot area of the highway commercial Zone is O.3ha (0.74ac) where the existing parcel is 0.227ha (O.56ac). No new lots are being created as a result of this proposal however the reduced lot area will also need to be recognized as part of the zoning bylaw amendment," wrote O'Callaghan in his report.

The building was built in 1991, and is approximately 1,900 square feet.

According to O'Callaghan, the Ministry of Transportation wanted more time to provide the municipality with their comments before approving the amendment.

"Council decided to defer the application to provide staff the opportunity to meet with MTO staff to discuss any concerns they may have related to the proposed zoning bylaw amendment," he said in an email.

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Artist centre shows work of local painters

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Emerging Haliburton County artists had a chance to shine this past weekend at the opening reception of the winter class exhibition at the Finn Artist Centre on March 11.

The reception showcased work completed by students who participated in an eight-week class over the past few months.

Each student was told to bring in a photograph they had taken themselves and recreate it using either acrylic paint or oils.

"This group of people are absolutely wonderful," said Carole Finn, owner/operator of the artist centre and the instructor of the class.

Finn said some of the students had never painted before.

A longtime community advocate for art, Finn said the aim of her centre is "to have a community of painters."

The winter class exhibit runs from now until April 2. The next exhibit, titled People In My Life, and featuring paintings by Finn, will open on May 9 and run until June 25.

For more information on classes visit www.carolefinnartist.com.

Wendy Minto, left, chats with Rick and Cathy Brewer.

Left, Lee Gauthier smiles at the opening reception at the Finn Artist Centre on March 11 in front of her painting Lago di Bagli.

Right, Marguerite Easby, left, and Susanne James enjoy a chat about art at the opening reception of the winter class exhibition at the Finn Artist Centre in Minden on March 11. The exhibit runs until April 2 and features a variety of work, including the piece created by James on the far right.

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Presented by Reel Canada, an organization that has been introducing Canadian film to high school students and new Canadians since 2005, NCFD 150 is a tremendous opportunity for Canadians of all ages and backgrounds to gather and enjoy the wealth of work by our nation's storytellers. With the help of partners and audiences in every corner of the country – including TIFF's great Canada On Screen project which will present 150 screenings across the country on the day – NCFD 150 will put Canadian cinema and our unique nation in an unprecedented spotlight.

Those Other Movies, as part of TIFF's Film Circuit and the Canada On Screen project, will be showing *My American Cousin* at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. There will be one showing for students and two showings – 4:15 p.m. and 7:15 p.m. – for the community. Admission is free!

"Canada on Screen is the most ambitious retrospective of our country's moving-image heritage ever attempted," said Piers Handling, director and CEO of TIFF. "How appropriate that this venture should happen during the Canadian sesquicentennial, in light of what the centennial in 1967 did to awaken us to our own identity. Canada's moving-image heritage – features, shorts, documentaries, animation, television, experimental works, music videos, commercials, and moving-image installation – is known only partially to all of us, but we have made some of the world's most important films in all of these areas. This program of the Essential 150 will allow us to showcase the best films in a country-wide celebration throughout 2017. Enjoy – and discover!"

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Northcountry Timberwolves, you've never heard of them, eh?

To some they are one of Canada's most successful and powerful sports teams, reeling in 36 national championships, 26 League Cups and an international campaign that has taken them as far as the top four teams in the world. They hail from Haliburton too, yet you won't have heard of them, because in reality they do not exist.

The Timberwolves are a virtual soccer team, playing in an international strategy game that runs from a Norwegian base, attracting more than 25,000 players from around the world. It's a busy schedule too, with two league matches every day, Champions League and league cup matches in between and training and developing players.

Now while I am most likely known in the area for my poetry and writing and narrating of the tales on the Minden and Haliburton Ghost Walks – yes, the guy with the eye patch – and one of the car parts guys at Canadian Tire, I not only love words but numbers and strategy too. I am also a big soccer fan.

The Internet is of course filled with distractions, games of this, that and everything but they all seem to wear themselves out in the satisfaction stakes, and often quite quickly. It took me more than a few trials before I found something bigger and better. It even took me a few seasons to find my feet, it almost seemed too easy to start with, but that is deliberate by the designers, Fifth Season from Norway.

It was only when I ran into difficulty that I realised this is a game that has so many different layers of strategy, there is the tactical stuff, the financial, the player development. Every time I think I've reached a new level of understanding I find another aspect that I need to learn.

It is I think a modern version of chess, layer upon layer. What I liked was that you could play it from anywhere in the world, it doesn't come with dazzling graphics or anything that needs high-speed broadband, you can play it whether you are young or old, able or disabled, male or female, fit or unfit. It does not depend on the weather, or if you play from a computer or your phone. You do not even need to know anything about soccer!

In the Canadian league we have people playing that are doctors, plumbers, students, shop assistants and retirees. They come from coast to coast and you can make great friends around the whole globe. You can also play to a very competitive level for free and you don't have to stay on the game for hours and hours.

Every month in real terms is a season within the game, so raising a player from a 17-year-old through the ranks is a challenge in its own right. You can buy and sell players, develop and build your stadium, chat with your fellow managers in a Canadian forum or in the wider international forums with a multitude of languages supported. You'll find many of the Canadian managers very helpful and friendly.

Being a global game can have its ups and downs.The worst sometimes is when you're trying to pull off a major transfer bid before the season kicks off and there is opposition from around the globe, all on different time scales and all competing to get that one biggest bid in that can stay there for the required eight hours. Sometimes you think you've got it ... and then you wake in the morning and find somebody put a counter bid in ... it can drive you crazy!

Thirty-six national titles though, how long did that take? Well, I've been playing for just more than 70 seasons, so a bit over five years. The Canadian league is one of the smaller national leagues, we have about 300 to 400 managers, so you can move up fairly quickly. When you get to the big international competitions though that is when you come up against the big juggernauts of the English, Romanian, Vietnamese and Norwegian leagues.

A Champions League semi-final just a year back, that was quite something. We had been the first Canadian team to make it to the Champions League knock out stages just a couple of months earlier. We're only ranked around the number 140 team in terms of strength but then suddenly you're pulling off shock victories over some of the big favourites and generating loads of support from around the world. The Danish team that beat me in extra time went on to win the whole thing and described playing me as the toughest game in the whole competition. That was very rewarding, though I am determined to plant a big Canadian flag on top of the globe on day.

While I'm sure I frustrate a lot of my fellow Canadians with all those titles, I share – mostly – everything I learn, and Canada has had two other teams make it to the international knock out stages since then. In the Canadian league itself there are usually six or seven teams fighting to the end for the title, and it's great because you can beat somebody up and not even leave a bruise, though they will likely give you some good natured banter on the forums.

The developers do make incremental changes too, new skills and things like that, it keeps the whole game going and growing. The developer is a small company, they have Manager League and a science fiction game, AD 2460, and most of the staff are regular players alongside us.

No mention of Haliburton in the team name though? I was only trying the game out when I coined the name. Northcountry is a bit of a dig at my folks back home in England who always want to know how the weather is in "The Arctic North" even though we are actually about 800 kilometres further south than they are. The Timberwolves bit is more local, and I think it was not too long after a visit to the Wolf Centre at the Haliburton Forest. I put the two together and it just sounded right.

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Summer Forest by Leanne Baird – part of the Rails End Gallery's upcoming show.

What's a curator got to do with it?

BY LAURIE JONES
Rails End Gallery And Arts Centre

THE CURATOR'S JOB has changed a lot in recent decades. No longer is your average curator peering out from behind the scenes, or labouring in the storerooms of museums and galleries preserving for posterity. The challenge to the modern curator is to craft a shared public experience using cultural artifacts, works of art, objects and stories, that is greater than the sum of its parts. Today's curator is nothing short of an alchemist spinning cultural gold for the cultural economy.

Have you noticed? Curators' names often get top billing over those of the participating artists. But then, to curate is to orchestrate, so it is a starring role, and, besides, very few people can tell "good art" from "bad." Or can they? More and more we see the word curate being used in conversation and especially in advertising where the consumer is urged to curate "your own" collection of images with Pinterest, curate content for Facebook, curate your wardrobe, your children's playthings, your shoe collection or your cupboards. Now, more than ever, we are all curators. What is a curator to do but follow her instincts and hope for the best.

Being a professional curator is one of those jobs where life experience still counts, and I have found (note to reader: I am pushing 60), a varied career is the best preparation for creating accessible experiences; devoid of artspeak and rich with meaning.

Sacred Woods is the title of Rails End Gallery's upcoming exhibition which runs from April 1 til May 25. As a title it sounds intriguing, don't you think? The inspiration for this project has its roots in my personal experience of the woods as a place where I feel at home, and in my personal faith journey from Ayn Rand inspired atheist to Anglican to pilgrim. I had no recipe for Sacred Woods and the ingredients came my way serendipitously. Leanne Baird popped in one fall afternoon, portfolio in hand (this is not the way "they" say you are supposed to do it), and I was charmed. I am a painter whose work flows quite freely from my gut to the canvas and, so I was intrigued by Baird's methodical approach to mark-making. She uses repeated forms that glow intensely and pulse with the quiet energy of the woods, a kind of sacred energy. Gaia Orion, on the other hand, meticulously inscribes single leaves on canvas like so much confetti to create gentle movement; or maps out visionary tales of enlightenment according to her inner voice. If there is a common factor between these two artists it is the way I feel when I look at their work – safe and fearless. That is why I chose them, or did they choose me?

"Sacred Woods: Leanne Baird and Gaia Orion" is a cultural experience I have planned for spring at Rails End, another in succession of intuitive choices I have made during my brief tenure as a curator at Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre. I hope you come and see the show.

Laurie Jones is the curator at Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre in Haliburton. Find out more at railsendgallery.com or call 705-457-2330.

Welcoming spring

PEOPLE DO A LOT OF STRANGE THINGS to welcome spring. Take, for instance, the Spring Splash, going on at Sir Sam's this weekend. The way I understand it, people choose to dress up in costumes, ski downhill and land in a huge pool of water, And they do this without ever having lost a bet.

As crazy as this is, this is how those happy folks choose to recognize the arrival of spring.

Which is fine, but here are 10 less frigid signs that spring is here.

STEVE GALEA
Humour Columnist

1. The yard dance display: In this ritualistic display, dog owners bow to their shovels and then begin do-si-do-ing around the yard, stepping lightly and remembering every single instance when winter made them find an excuse not to take their dog out for a good walk.
2. Splash dancing: This has nothing to do with the late-'80s movie. Rather it is the dance we all do when a car is rapidly approaching the puddle we are walking beside.
3. Appreciating the first bloomers: Although it is wonderful to see the first underwear of the year waving in the breeze on neighbourhood clotheslines, it's probably best if you don't applaud, take photos or comment as your neighbour is doing it.
4. The running of the deer: This is a springtime ritual in which hundreds of gardeners, after planting their first shrubs of the season, begin chasing deer through the streets.
5. The running of the bull: This is when an acquaintance who promised to take you to his best brook trout spot finds excuses why he can't.
6. Spring run-off: One sure sign of spring is the new crop of joggers running off to somewhere presumably warmer than here. But you have to catch it quick, because this event is short-lived.
7. The changing of the tires: This annual event, in which snow tires are exchanged for regular tires, happens each year exactly one week before the last big snowstorm.
8. The return of the ivory legged dingbat: Sometimes, just after the snow is out, you'll hear rumours that someone spotted the first ivory legged dingbat of the season. These rare visitors, wearing shorts a full two months too early are a sure sign that spring has arrived.
9. The return of the fly catcher: Another sure sign of spring is the front-lawn fly caster swearing and shaking his fist at the tree behind him. This fellow who has leaky waders and an unnatural fear of ice floes begins his fly fishing season practising for his time on the river by arguing with the more familiar trees and shrubs that his fly is currently snagged in.
10. Spring forward: In this case, I am not referring to the time change but rather to what some people do when they see the first snake of the season pop up behind them. Often, if they have an unreasonable fear of snakes, they'll also fall back.

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Student researchers bring findings to community

JENN WATT
County Life Editor

The Haliburton County Farmers' Market Association is constantly growing – expanding into new markets and finding new ways to present local food to eager patrons. Research has been a part of their success; little is done without great care and thought.

About a year and a half ago, the association connected with U-Links Centre for Community Based Research and master's candidate Melissa Johnston to conduct a thorough evaluation of governance, consumer relationships and vendor relationships at farmers' markets across the province.

The association wanted to know what other groups were doing and what issues came up around such decisions as whether to allow produce from out of the region into the market or what kind of demand was necessary to expand to new locations.

"It will help us both to understand where we fit, how we are different, and our commonalities," says Angel Taylor, chair of the farmers' market board.

"It will provide ideas for how we might modify our work. We tried to focus on rural areas and areas that were somewhat challenged agriculturally."

When the final report is presented to the board, they will be evaluating whether Haliburton's markets should be making changes in their policies and practices.

Taylor says the work U-Links does to support organizations like the farmers' market is invaluable.

"I just think U-Links is a treasure," she says. Taylor is also involved with U-Links on another project examining garlic pests and searching for non-chemical deterrents. The work done on stem and bulb nematode and leek moths (which eat the greenery of the plant) has advanced understanding about how to better protect the crop.

Some of the research has been written up in periodicals such as the *Garlic News*.

"Growers were treated with respect, with dignity and in partnership with the scientists," Taylor says.

U-Links is a Minden-based organization that connects students from Trent University with Haliburton County groups that need their assistance. They've been co-ordinating this partnership for 27 years, starting with bioregionalism students and expanding to five departments.

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> — Angel Taylor, chair of the farmers' market board

On Saturday, March 25, U-Links will be holding its annual Celebration of Research event at Fleming College in Haliburton, which allows the public to learn about the research being done in the local community. The student researchers along with the host organization will be available to talk about their projects and findings and there will be a guest speaker as well.

"It's open to the public to see what kinds of projects are in the works," says Sonja Addison, projects co-ordinator at U-Links.

This year, 15 local projects have been underway, digging up information on subjects as varied as the creation of a "pre-kinder" garden at Abbey Gardens for pre-schoolers to traffic calming using art.

Research is driven by the desires of the community hosts. For example, the Haliburton County Heat Bank wanted to know what they could do with donations of softwood, which isn't particularly good for burning.

The Heat Bank asked the students to do research into other ways to use these donations to create revenue and provide jobs, Addison says.

Saturday's event has benefits to the community and to the students; interested individuals can come to the college to find out more about what's happening in the community and the students gain the valuable experience of presenting their findings.

Melissa Johnston will be a familiar face to many. Besides being the researcher on the farmers' market project, she has worked at the farmers' market and Abbey Gardens in the past and will be working in the Highlands again this summer.

Johnston says working with U-Links was fulfilling.

"I wanted to do a project that was really applicable and tangibly useful for a community," she says.

Her work compared farmers' markets from across the province "to see how the type of community that the market is in impacts the way the market is run," she says. Rural versus urban markets have different challenges. For example, Haliburton has a shorter growing season.

"In Haliburton, you want to have a viable market," she says. "You want to have a long season. You do have to find a way to allow for some local importation … which means bringing food, bringing produce, in from farther away than you might want to [and] finding a way to make that agreeable to the local producers."

In Peterborough, for example, the market agreed to bring in peaches from another location because they aren't grown locally.

Johnston isn't yet at the recommendation stage of her work, but she says by the end of her time with the farmers' market she will be presenting them some options to take into consideration.

This year's Celebration of Research is Saturday, March 25 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Haliburton campus of Fleming College. Guest speaker is Ken Doherty, director of the community services department of the City of Peterborough. There will be free refreshments. There is no cost to attend.

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Church hosts third annual workday fundraiser

ANGELICA INGRAM
County Life staff

Allsaw Pentecostal Church is once again ready to spruce up your home and property with their third annual workday fundraiser this spring.

The church, located halfway between Haliburton and Minden, is raising funds for their missions team to go to the Dominican Republic and is accepting applications from individuals who have jobs they need done around their home, cottage or property.

The workday will take place on Saturday, May 13, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The team will do tasks such as painting, gardening, housecleaning and carpentry. A team of 12 people costs $1,200, while a team of six is $600.

The money raised goes towards financing the team's trip to the Dominican, where they do outreach work at schools, seniors homes, orphanages and churches, said team leader Marjorie Mieske.

This work includes buying gifts for students and teachers, purchasing food for the seniors, hosting a Christmas party at various places (schools, churches, etc.), doing maintenance and carpentry work.

The missions team includes nine people who travel to the Dominican, with an additional person chosen every year by the church board.

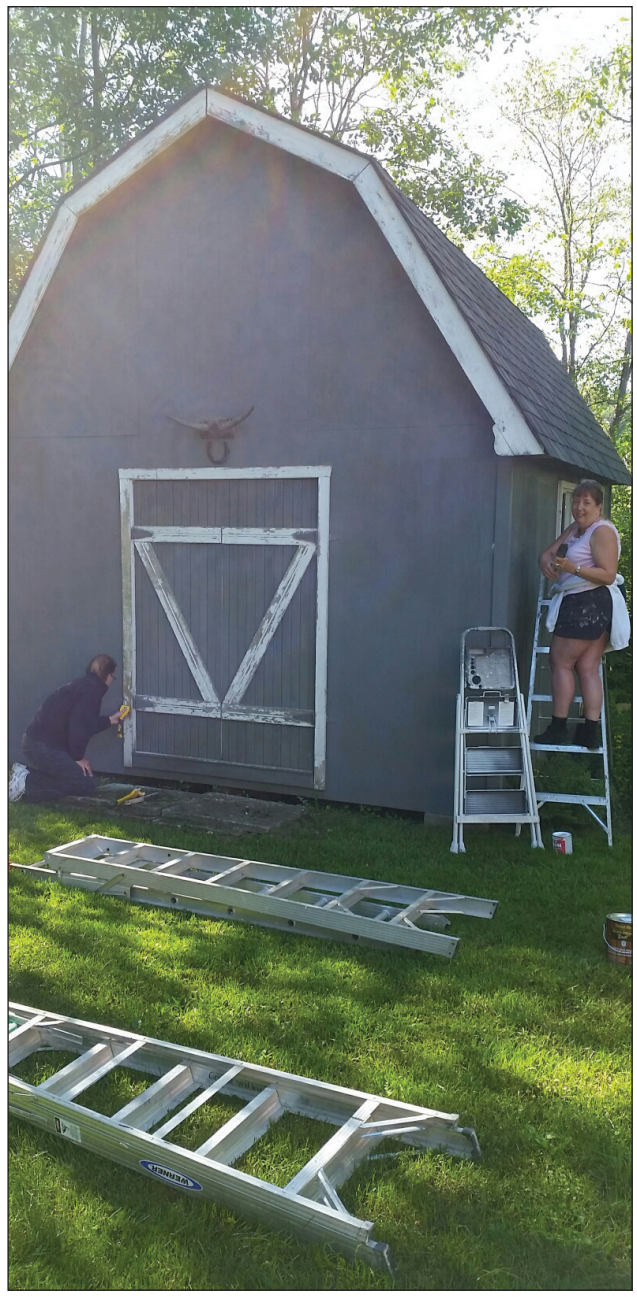
"This person is sponsored financially by our church to make the trip," said Mieske.

Prior workdays have included the team painting a garden shed, doing garden work, washing windows, sanding and staining a deck, power washing and cleaning house siding and eavestroughs.

"We like this workday because at the end of it we can see a finished product," said Mieske. "A freshly painted shed, a clean garage, a newly stained deck, a complete change to a living room. It is rewarding to provide our services to others. We know we have done a good day's work for the money we raise, and we have done something worthwhile for another person."

Those interested in the fundraiser are encouraged to contact Mieske at mmieske@hotmail.com by April 15 with a description of the job, location and your name.

All applications will be reviewed and the selected applicants will be contacted by April 22. A meeting will be arranged to review the work at the desired location.



Members of the Allsaw Church Missions's Team paint a shed belonging to Eleanor Hall to raise funds for their trip to the Dominican Republic last year. The church organized a workday last spring, with proceeds going towards the missionary work. They will be offering up their services again this spring on May 7 to anyone interested in applying for the fundraiser.

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The ins and outs of destination weddings

Machenzie Neumann
Transat Travel

Machenzie here! Are you recently engaged and thinking about a destination wedding? Keep reading on to see if a destination wedding is right for you. The first step would be picking your date, with a wedding down south you want to be able to give your friends and family a lot of time to budget accordingly because you are asking for them to put out X amount of money to travel for your wedding so springing a wedding to Dominican Republic on them for six months away is not recommended.

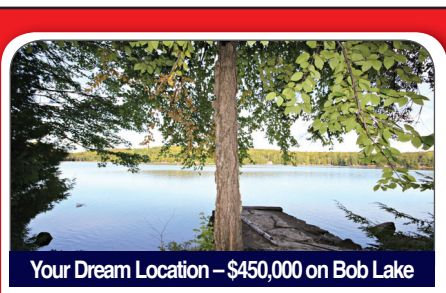
The average time out to book a destination wedding is between 12 to 18 months prior or longer, these legal weddings can be arranged in any country in the Caribbean many of which do have a lot of legal requirements to follow though such as being in the country for three days prior, translation of all legal documents, long form birth certificates, blood work, etc. – if this seems like a bit too much there is always the option of a symbolic ceremony. With this type of ceremony you would legally wed before or after your trip and almost 100 per cent of the time your guests would never know the difference.

What we do here at Transat Travel is secure your group space, with the bride and groom's deposit we will hold 30 seats (or more) for 90 days at a contracted lower rate than booking online – during that timeframe is when your guests would contact us to book their space for your wedding. We gather all their passport information to ensure all the tickets are correct. Final payment is then usually 60 days prior but guests have the option to pay the trip off in installments over the year, which always seems to be a popular option for many people. There are also a lot of promotions when booking a group. Each hotel is different, but most hotels offer "free passengers" which means for every 16 passengers the 17th travels for free excluding the taxes and fees. This is usually capped at four people- most of the time what the bride and groom decide to do is either use those "free spaces" for themselves to help cut their costs, divide it evenly between their guests or give those free spaces to their bridal party, price drop guarantee which means if the price your booked at a year ago goes lower outside of 45 days prior to departure we refund everyone the difference.

After a date, destination and resort have been picked, and deposit applied, the wedding co-ordinator at the hotel is contacted and that is when all the fun planning begins. I completely take it over so there is less stress on the bride, unless the bride wants to deal directly with the wedding co-ordinator but it is usually best for the travel consultant to do this – typically you get to pick from packages available at the resort. They range in price from a few hundred to tens of thousands of dollars all dependent on the property and what you are booked at. These packages include everything from your ceremony decorations, flowers, DJs and sound systems, photography packages, private dinner and receptions and so much more depending on the price you are willing to pay. The typical cost for a destination wedding with your all-inclusive package and wedding package ranges from about $3,000 to $10,000 which is a huge savings compared to a wedding at home, and you are getting a weeklong vacation out of it.

At our office I usually have three destinations weddings a year that I book and plan. The weddings typically range from 16 to 40 people, however, my largest wedding group I've done is actually for my own wedding in early April in which we have 78 people joining us from all over Canada, the U.S. and Australia for a week in the sun in beautiful Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. These types of group trips are something you would not want to take on by yourself; they are a lot of work and should only be handled by a travel professional if you want everything to go as planned and as easy as it can be. If a destination sounds like the perfect wedding for you contact me anytime machenzie.neumann@transat.com.

Stay tuned for Linda's upcoming column about her Mediterranean cruise with Costa she is taking in May visiting Venice, Dubrovnik, Athens and Corfu.



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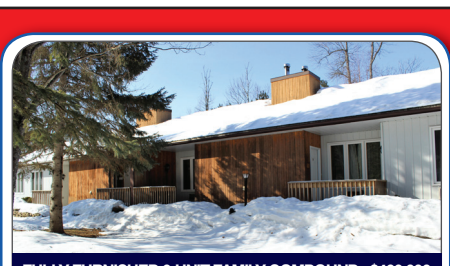

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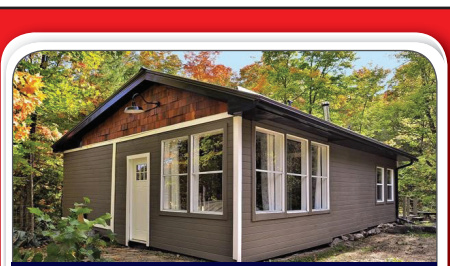

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JENN WATT
County Life Editor

A splash of colour and a friendly face greet visitors as they walk through the sliding doors of Haliburton Highlands Health Services. They might be visiting a loved one in acute care, waiting to see a doctor in the emergency department or stopping by to bring Grandma a card at Highland Wood.

For all of those people, the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary's gift shop is a convenient place to stop and browse. Since 2000, the volunteers who work there have been cultivating the store to make it fresh, affordable and comfortable. Prices are generally below usual retailers and there is no tax. All the profits go right back into health care.

"It's not money that we keep aside. It's not our mandate to roll money over," says Tracey Lear, past president of the auxiliary.

The shop brought in $6,000 last year, which went toward such projects as the compassionate care suite for long-term care and refurbishing the washroom in the emergency department.

Jane Jaycock is the convenor of the gift shop. She's been working at it along with other volunteers for the last four years.

Jaycock is responsible for choosing the merchandise for the shop and takes the job seriously. The wall behind her at the counter is covered in a rainbow of scarves. The shelves throughout the shop hold simple gifts that you can imagine a loved one opening with a smile – McIntosh mugs, funky purses, local art and even a few clothing items are amongst the selection.

Jane Jaycock takes payment for a ladybug bag from Belinda Manze of Minden. Manze said she regularly stops by the shop in the Haliburton hospital to support the work they do.

These night lights are a new addition to the gift shop at the Haliburton hospital. Everything you buy at the shop helps fund health services. JENN WATT Staff

There are greeting cards – some made locally – as well as the necessary collection of books and munchies.

Jaycock goes to the Toronto Gift Show each year to seek out new inventory. She makes sure to ask each supplier whether they already sell to other Haliburton clients so that the gift shop isn't competing with local business. She also has other challenges when buying at shows.

"So many suppliers want you to buy 12 hats [for example]. I know I can sell one in the Haliburton, maybe two," Jaycock says.

Despite the challenges, the shop is always filled with special items. They've recently added Interac and credit cards as methods of payment.

"My goal … is getting the word out that we're here," says Jaycock.

The gift shop is open Monday through Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. staffed by volunteers. They also take the shop on the road for Midnight Madness, Colourfest and to the farmers' market.

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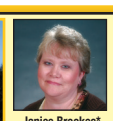

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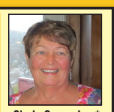

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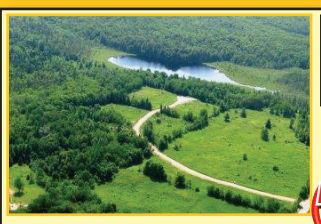

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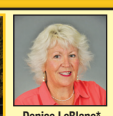

Denise LeBlanc*
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286-2138 x 30

SOLD

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- Lovely 3 bed 1 bath cottage
- Level lot with sand beach
- Big lake views on municipal road!

Darlene Reil
447-2055

BUILDING LOT

Harcourt $44,000
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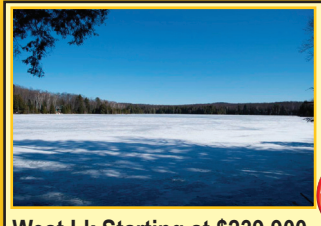
- Creek running through, driveway in,
- Site cleared for spring build



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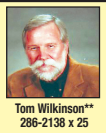

Tom Wilkinson**
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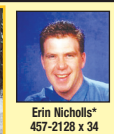

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Types of Powers of Attorney in Ontario

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Power of Attorney for Personal Care

A POA for Personal Care gives your attorney authority to make treatment decisions on your behalf should you become mentally incapable of making them on your own. It also gives your attorney authority to make decisions regarding your housing, clothing, hygiene, and safety.

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Can a Power of Attorney be completed after I become incapable?

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How do I get a Power of Attorney?

A lawyer can prepare a POA for you.

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https://www.attorneygeneral.jus.gov.on.ca/english/family/pgt/poa.pdf . You can also call, toll-free, 1-800-366-0335 to order a kit.

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Article written by Caroline Tarjan, Student Caseworker at the Queen's Elder Law Clinic

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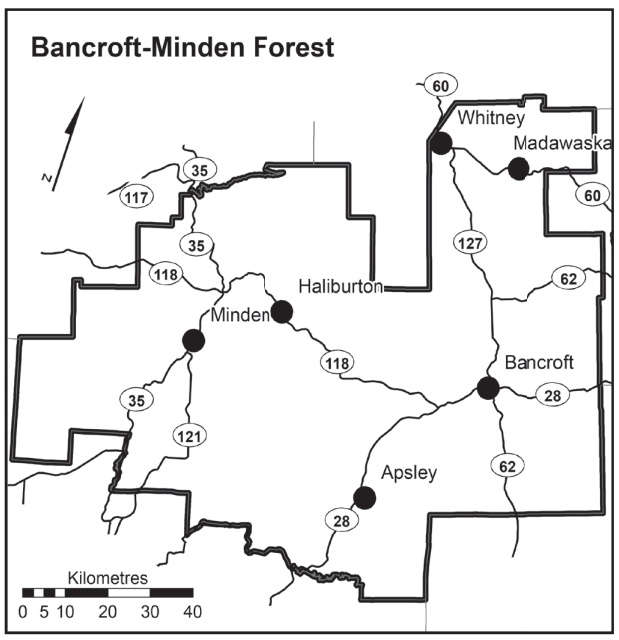
INSPECTION

Inspection of Approved 2017–2018 Annual Work Schedule Bancroft-Minden Forest

The **Bancroft District Office** of the Ontario **Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF)** has reviewed and approved the Bancroft Minden Forest Company Inc. April 1, 2017 – March 31, 2018 Annual Work Schedule (AWS) for the **Bancroft-Minden Forest.**



Availability

The AWS will be available for public inspection for a fifteen day period at the Bancroft Minden Forest Company Inc. office and the MNRF public website at **ontario.ca/forestplans** beginning **March 15, 2017** and available for view throughout the one-year duration. Ontario Government Information Centres at the North Kawartha Township Public Library, Woodview Branch and the ServiceOntario office in Minden provide access to the Internet.

Scheduled Forest Management Operations

The AWS describes forest management activities such as road construction, maintenance and decommissioning, forestry aggregate pits, harvest, site preparation, tree planting and tending that are scheduled to occur during the year.

Tree Planting and Fuelwood

Bancroft Minden Forest Company Inc. is responsible for tree planting on the Bancroft-Minden Forest. Please contact Bancroft Minden Forest Company Inc., Peter Nitschke for information regarding tree planting job opportunities.

For information on the locations and licence requirements for obtaining fuelwood for personal use, please contact the Bancroft District Office, Glenn McLean at 613-332-3940, ext. 211. For commercial fuelwood opportunities, please contact Bancroft Minden Forest Company Inc., Peter Nitschke.

More Information

For more information on the AWS or to arrange an appointment with MNRF staff to discuss the AWS or to request an AWS operations summary map, please contact:

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Community Events

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Haliburton County Historical Society

When: Thursday March 23/17, 1:30 PM
Where: Haliburton Museum
Stephen Hill, Curator, will be speaking on the topic of the "Grand Central Hotel" Haliburton

The Haliburton Lions Club Hoedown Dinner & Dance

When: Saturday, March 25, 2017, 5:00 - 9:00 pm (Dinner at 6:00 pm)
Where: Haliburton Legion, Main Hall
Cost: $25.00 per person (all ticket sales are final)
Music by Gord Kidd & Friends, Cash Bar, 50/50 draw, silent auction, door prizes and much more. Enjoy delicious roast beef on a bun with salad, baked beans, dessert, tea/coffee
Tickets at Halco Electronics and Minden Haliburton Hearing Services or call Lion Linda at 705-457-2064

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When: Monday, March 27th
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When: Wednesday, March 29, 6:30 to 8:00pm
Where: The Dominion Hotel Dining Room, Bobcaygeon Road, Minden
We are 100 WOMEN WHO CARE -we meet for 1 hour, 3 times a year. We raise money for local charities in our county. At our first meeting we raised over $3000 for Food for Kids. If you are a woman who cares - come to our meeting and see how we do it. IT'S AWESOME!

H.H.O.A. Wild Game Dinner/Silent Auction

When: Saturday April 1/17
Where: Haliburton Legion, 719 Mountain Street
Cocktails at 5:00 pm, Dinner at 6:30 pm
Tickets $35.00 per person or $55.00 per couple
Contact the HHOA Fish Hatchery at 705-457-9664 to reserve your tickets now

Environment Haliburton - Public Presentation

When: Saturday April 1, 2017 at 1 pm
When: West Guilford Community Centre, 1061 Kennisis Lake Road, West Guilford
Guest Speaker: Dr. Tony Weis, Professor of Geography at Western University and author of The Ecological Hoofprint: The Global Burden of Industrial Live stock
Your Diet, the Industrial Meat Industry and the Climate Crisis
For more information contact: Terry Moore, tmoore7031@gmail.com, 705-306-9254

Haliburton Highlands Land Trust Discovery Days: Sounds of the Night: Owl Prowl!

When: Saturday, Apr. 8, 8:00 pm – 10:00 pm
Who goes "hoo" in the night? Join Haliburton naturalist Pauline Plooard and listen in the dark for owls calling. Dress warmly, including your footwear, and bring a headlamp or flashlight. Our leader will be Pauline Plooard. Admission by donation.
Location: Meet at Zion United Church, 1021 East Rd. Carnarvon at 8:00 pm where carpools will be arranged and directions provided.
Cost: Admission by donation

Doc(k) Day

When: Saturday, April 8
Where: Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion
Those Other Movies presents the sixth annual Doc(k) Day documentary film festival. Starts at 10 a.m. with Dysart 150: The Movie, followed by Obit, Cameraperson, What Lies Below and In Pursuit of Peace. For more information contact Lisa Kerr kerrfamily@cottagecountry.net.
Cost: $30 for the day (email Lisa Kerr). Individual tickets, if available, are $10 at the door.

Razzamataz Kids Shows

When: Sunday April 9, 2017, 2:00pm
Where: Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion
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Recreation director debate in council

Dysart et al council will be deciding on June 13 whether or not the municipality will hire a recreation director, but a heated debate on Monday, between the two senior members of the council, could mean that the decision will not be an easy one.

Deputy Reeve, Harold Bannon started the debate by asking what the council is planning on doing about a recreation director. He suggested that a resolution be "passed" around the table to see what is going to happen.

He said that either the council will "go for it or not go for it but there is no use hanging on to this all summer long".

Councillor, Roy Brohm, said that he cannot see hiring a recreation director when the recreation committee is in the hole already.

He admitted that he was not in favour of hiring a director.

$13,000 DEFICIT

Councillor Brohm said that there is a $13,000 deficit already at the arena, which he claims is due to mismanagement. He noted that there is "no promotion" at the arena. He suggested that perhaps an arena manager is needed rather than a recreation director.

Reeve Murray Fearrey said that perhaps the $13,000 figure was not correct because the auditors were not finished with the municipalities books, but Deputy Reeve Bannon agreed with the figure.

Deputy Reeve Bannon suggested that perhaps the council should try a recreation director for a year and if the person wasn't working out, he could be let go.

Councillor Brohm said that the municipality has tried a recreation director on two occasions and noted that he fired both of them. Deputy Reeve Bannon said he was in on the firing of one director.

Deputy Reeve Bannon told the council that the hiring of a recreation director should be handled by the recreation committee.

Reeve Fearrey asked if the recreation committee could pay a recreation director's salary. Deputy Reeve Bannon admitted that it could not.

FURTHER STUDY

Reeve Fearrey, Councillor McKnight, Councillor Brohm and Councillor Jack Denholm agreed with a letter from the Haliburton Minor Hockey Association that a committee should be formed to see if there is a need for a recreation director.

Reeve Fearrey suggested that the municipality find out the economics of having a recreation director rather than "making a snap decision".

Councillor Gary McKnight said he doesn't know what to do to make the arena a paying proposition but a recreation director hired in the summer certainly won't help.

Deputy Reeve Bannon said, "By the next meeting of council I will put a motion on the floor" about a recreation director. He said that this will allow one more month of investigation.

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Senior units scheduled to be constructed next spring

A tentative schedule for the construction of senior citizen housing units, in Haliburton village, has been set at spring of 1978 but that could be moved up.

Sid Palmer, a representative of the Ministry of Housing, was at Monday's meeting of Dysart et al's council to discuss senior citizen housing and geared to income housing.

Dysart et al Reeve, Murray Fearrey, asked Mr. Palmer when the project could get started.

Mr. Palmer said that the closing of the site has been delayed until the Ministry of Environment finishes doing tests on the quality of the water.

The site is on Mountain Street, behind the Anglican Church.

Mr. Palmer said that the schedule as of this time calls for the land acquisition in June, modified tender call in October and a construction start in the spring of next year.

Deputy Reeve, Harold Bannon, said that he thought the construction would be done this year.

Mr. Palmer replied that if the dates can be moved up they will be.

He said that there is a preliminary design for the building and told the council that all 34 units planned may not fit on the site.

The 34 units were decided on by a need study conducted in the municipality this year.

A study conducted two years ago showed a need for 21 units.

Council passed two resolutions Monday, one to accept the updated needs study and the other to agree to pay 7.5 percent of the operational subsidy costs.

The subsidy on the operational costs of the units are paid 50 percent by the federal government, 42.5 percent by the provincial government, with the municipality picking up the rest.

The tenants in the building will pay 25 percent of their income towards rent.

Councillor, Jack Denholm, expressed some concern that all 34 units would not be included on the site and asked Mr. Palmer if the units that were not included would be put on another site.

Mr. Palmer admitted that from a practical point of view it would not make sense because of management problems.

Reeve Fearrey told Mr. Palmer that there is a "tremendous need" in the community. He said that the municipality has people coming forward every day inquiring about senior citizen housing.

Arbitrators wait for new assessment figures

An arbitration of county clerks and treasurers held last Tuesday, May 3, resolved in an unexpected that the appeal for a re-adjustment of the 1977 Board of Education levy will go no further until new assessment figures are released by the Regional Assessment Office.

The figures are to be released in the near future by the Ministry of Revenue, the clerks were assured.

In this third appeal to re-apportion assessments, the arbitration of clerks and treasurers was expected to end as it has twice before with the refusal of the majority of clerks to consider negotiating the apportionment. The matter goes to the Ontario Municipal Board if the clerks don't agree unanimously on apportionment.

Stanhope clerk Gerald Bain, representing one of the appealing townships, noted that the 6-4 decision to wait for further arbitration until the most recent assessment figures indicated that some of the clerks were acknowledging the inequalities in present assessments and apportionments.

Monmouth and Bicroft clerks Sharon Hunter and Sandra McColl this year added their two votes to total six in favor of further arbitration.

Dysart et al clerk Wayne Woode, who was one of the four who voted against the resolution, noted that the arbitrators may try to arrive at some settlement, but "as far as we're concerned, there was no new information provided."

He suggested that the arbitration will be "an

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With just enough clearance, four-year old Brian Waller hoists the Haliburton Legion Pipe Band Drum to help his father Fred Waller play for the Scottish Country Dancers, Monday evening at the Legion Hall. Brian played faithfully while the dancers practised for the Festival of Fun to be held May 19 at the secondary school. The evening is a talent festival sponsored by the Scouts, an organization that may be able to take Brian in before the banks puts him on ful time. The Festival will raise money to send Minden and Haliburton Scouts to P.E.I. for the Canadian Scouting Jamboree and includes choirs, gymnastics, bands and dramatic performances, as well as the Scottish dancing.

Honorary diploma to be given to Ronald J. Curry

Ronald Curry

Ronald Curry, a well known Haliburton Village resident, will become the third person in the 10 year history of Sir Sandford Fleming College to receive an honorary degree.

Mr. Curry will receive his award at the convocation ceremonies in Lindsay May 14.

The second recipient of an honorary diploma from the college was Henry Nokes, of Peterborough, who received his award last Saturday. Both Mr. Nokes and Mr. Curry are former members of the board of governors of the college.

Mr. Curry joined the Board in 1968, as one of the first representatives of Haliburton County, and was elected chairman of the Board in 1971. He also has a long history of community service in Haliburton County, including terms as councillor and reeve of the Municipality of Dysart, and as Warden of Haliburton County. He held top posts with the secondary school board there, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Haliburton Highlands Guild of Fine Arts.

Mr. Nokes was the labour representative on the original Board of Governors set up in 1966 to establish a College of Applied Arts and Technology in east-central Ontario, and was elected the first chairman of the separate board created for Sir Sandford Fleming College in 1968. He currently is a member of the Ontario Council of Regents, the governing body for all Colleges in the province.

The College's first honorary diploma was awarded in 1970 to former President and Vice-chancellor of Trent University, Thomas H.B. Symons, who was also a member of the first Sir Sandford Fleming Board.

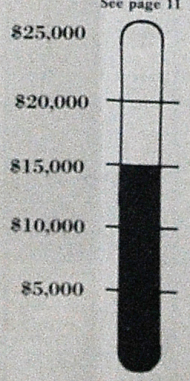
Fellowships in Applied Education will be awarded to James E. Girven, of Peterborough, and Gwynneth Hoag, of Lindsay at the Peterborough ceremony, and to Frank E. Banks, of Lindsay, at the Lindsay convocation.

The Fellowships are available annually, and recognize citizens from any field of endeavour for significant accomplishments through the outstanding practical application of knowledge in any trade, vocation or profession, including community service.

Mr. Girven, who joined the Canadian General Electric Company in Peterborough in 1923 as an apprentice and became chief executive officer of that company in 1951, will receive the fellowship for his outstanding contribution to the welfare of the community through leadership with the Peterborough Y.M.C.A. and a number of other organizations.

Mrs. Hoag has played a major role in the development of quality child care centres in East Central Ontario, and particularly in Peterborough. Among other activities, she was supervisor of the Peterborough Y.W.C.A. early childhood education program, supervisor of the Lester B. Pearson Day Care Centre, and director of day care in the City of Peterborough.

Mr. Banks is bandmaster of the Lindsay Kinsmen band, and since 1954 this avocation has influenced the lives of about 500 Lindsay young people. Under his leadership, the band has won many awards, and has become known outside Ontario for its excellence.



A total of $25 has been added to the Dysart Community Centre Fund. The fund has now reached $15,030 for the improvements and repairs for the building. Donations may be sent to Box 382, Haliburton.

Glee Club production a smashing success

by Susan McLaughlin

The opening night cast of the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Glee Club's production of Ruddigore took Gilbert and Sullivan's less than successful musical that was heavily censured when it first appeared over 90 years ago, and turned it into a smashing success on the Haliburton stage.

As explained by the play's talented director, Bill Gliddon, Ruddigore or The Witch's Curse was not well received by its first British audience for a number of reasons, chiefly, one suspects, because the audience was not willing to laugh at itself.

The script and score of the musical turn a bright comic light into everything from manners of young ladies who rigorously follow a book of etiquette to the Royal navy that is so kind as to spare French ships that they prefer not to engage. Written after Gilbert and Sullivan's highly successful Mikado, Ruddigore also pokes fun at the style of the musical itself.

The bad Baron's crew is described as mad because they sing choruses in public, and a song in the second act asserts that the rapid, unintelligible patter that stands as a trademark of Gilbert and Sullivan scores, isn't usually heard so nothing really matters in the end anyway.

In the face of all this light hearted chatter and lively music that follows the antics of Rose Maybud's attempts to find a suitably polite husband, and two brothers' attempts to overcome the witch's curse that has been put upon their baronetcy, the original British audience apparently recoiled in horror. The curse demands that a cruel deed be done each day be the baronet, perhaps not a laughing matter. Mr. Gliddon explained that the Glee Club took it as a challenge to produce Ruddigore, which they feel is one of Gilbert and Sullivan's best efforts, and make it every bit as good and enjoyable as other scripts by the same authors.

Thanks both to the talent or the cast and the quality of the script, they more than succeeded.

In the hands of Richard Stouffer cast in the lead role of Sir Ruthven on opening night, the part of the cruel baronet becomes side-splittingly funny. From his first appearance as a shy and

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Dysart wants to limit group homes

Dysart et al will attempt to limit the number of group homes in the area by instituting a system of licensing for such establishments.

After meeting with Mrs. Raymond Gervais, a Toronto woman who, along with her husband, intends to bring their family of 10 foster children and three children to Dysart, the municipal council passed two resolutions, one to inquire about the possibility of setting up a licensing system and the other that the Gervais application be held in abeyance until a number of things can be decided.

In a letter to the council Mrs. Gervais said, "We have made an offer to purchase Dell Haven Guest Home".

She said that there seems to b2 some controversy as to whether they can operate as a group home. "Sir, could you not substitute the word group home for Family?" she suggested.

Mrs. Gervais pointed out in the letter that if the children were all her family the council could not refuse

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